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SUBJ: 28TH UNGA: EGYPTIAN RES ON PERMANENT
SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES

REF: A) STATE 236935; B) TELCONS GREENE-SANDERS AND
LORENZ/KIMBALL

1. EC-9 HAS DECIDED TO ABSTAIN ON RES 1333 RE PERMANENT
SOVEREIGNTY IN "OCCUPIED TERRITORIES", WITH DANE MAKING
STATEMENT AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN QUOTE MR. CHAIRMAN, ON BEHALF OF THE
NINE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY I WOULD LIKE
TO STATE VERY BRIEFLY OUR VIEWS ON THE DRAFT
RES CONTAINED IN DOC A/C.2/L.1333.

ALTHOUGH THEY RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE
BASIC PROBLEMS CONCERNED, THE NINE GOVERNMENTS FEEL
THAT THEY SHOULD NOT IN THIS FORUM AND AT THIS STAGE
TAKE ANY POSITION ON THE SUBSTANCE OF THE DRAFT RES.
IT WOULD IN OUR OPINION BE PREMATURE TO SINGLE OUT ANY
ASPECT OF THE SITUATION AT A TIME WHEN IT IS HOPED
THAT NEGOTIATIONS WILL SOON BE STARTED IN ACCORDANCE
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SETTLEMENT AIMING AT A JUST AND LASTING PEACE. IN ANY CASE

AS WE SEE IT, THE DRAFT RES REFLECTS PRIMARILY A CONFLICT SITUATION AND SHOULD AS SUCH BE DEALT WITH IN ANOTHER ORGAN THAN THE SECOND COMMITTEE.

"FOR THESE REASONS THE NINE GOVTS FEEL OBLIGED TO ABSTAIN ON ANY VOTE ON THIS DRAFT RES. END QUOTE.

2. COMMENT (AND ACTION REQUESTED): IT NOW APPEARS CERTAIN THAT US AND ISRAEL WILL BE TOTALLY ISOLATED IN CASTING NEGATIVE VOTES ON RES 1333. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, REQUEST DEPT AUTHORIZE USDEL TO ABSTAIN. USUN BELIEVES THAT ON MERITS - DESPITE PEJORATIVE WORDING OF RES - MAIN SUBSTANTIVE POINTS RE ISRAEL'S EXPLOITATION OF ARAB RESOURCES SEEMS NOT RPT NOT TOTALLY UNREASONABLE EXTENSION OF INTENT FORTH GENEVA CONVENTION. THIS IS CERTAINLY INTERPRETATION MOST OTHER UN MEMBERS HOLD, AND WE BELIEVE USDEL WOULD BE IN MORE TENABLE POSITION BY ABSTAINING ON THIS VOTE.
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